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Reports from Matanzas, Cardenas, Isabela de Sagua, and Caibarien.

MATANZAS, CUBA, December 26, 1900.

SIR: I have the honor to submit herewith the following sanitary report of the quarantine district under my command, for the week ended December 22, 1900:

Matanzas.—Twelve deaths occurred in the city of Matanzas during the period covered by this report, showing a mortality of 13.82 per 1,000.

The principal causes of deaths were as follows: Tuberculosis, 2; enteritis, 1; heart disease, 1; yellow fever, 1; senility, 1; tetanus, infantile, 1; angina pectoris, 1; arterio-sclerosis, 1; other causes, 3. No case of infectious or contagious character was reported. The case of yellow fever reported by wire, December 18, died on the 19th instant, and at present there is none under treatment. The building was disinfected by the city health authorities with the assistance of this office. Six vessels were inspected and passed on arrival. Five bills of health were issued to vessels leaving this port. Twenty-two health certificates were issued to persons leaving the island. Thirty-one pieces of baggage were inspected and passed, and 6 bundles of clothes belonging to the case of yellow fever were disinfected.

Cardenas.—Acting Asst. Surg. Enrique Saez reports that 6 deaths occurred in Cardenas during the last week. The principal causes were as follows: Pneumonia, 1; enteritis, 1; malaria, 1; rickets, 1; other causes, 2. No case of infectious or contagious character was reported. The death rate during the week was 12.60 per 1,000. Five foreign vessels and 8 coasting vessels were inspected and passed on arrival. Three bills of health were issued to foreign vessels during the week.

Isabela de Sagua.—Acting Asst. Surg. Pedro Garcia Riera reports that the death rate during the week was 7.04 per 1,000. One foreign vessel and 12 coasting vessels were inspected and passed on arrival. Fifteen bills of health were issued to vessels, 1 of these to a foreign vessel and 14 to coasting vessels.

Caibarien.—Acting Asst. Surg. Leoncio Junco reports that the sanitary condition of the port and town is very good. The death rate during the week was 1.34 per 1,000. Six vessels arrived during the week; 1 of these was inspected and passed and 5 were passed without inspection. Five bills of health were issued to vessels during the week.

Respectfully,

G. M. GUITÉRAS,

Passed Assistant Surgeon, U. S. M. H. S.

The SURGEON-GENERAL,

U. S. Marine-Hospital Service.

MATANZAS, CUBA, January 1, 1901.

SIR: I have the honor to submit herewith the following sanitary report of the quarantine district under my command for the week ended December 29, 1900:

Matanzas.—Thirteen deaths occurred in the city of Matanzas during the period covered by this report, showing a mortality of 14.97 per 1,000. The principal causes of deaths were as follows: Congenital debility, 3; tuberculosis, 3; atresia, 1; senility, 1; enteritis, 1; other causes, 4. One case of diphtheria was reported during the week. Three vessels were inspected and passed on arrival. Three bills of health were issued during the week. Eleven health certificates were issued to persons leaving the island. Two pieces of baggage were inspected and passed and 14 pieces were passed without inspection.

Cardenas.—Acting Asst. Surg. Enrique Saez reports that 6 deaths occurred in Cardenas during the week. The principal causes of deaths were as follows: Tuberculosis, 2; cancer, 1; hemophilia, 1; other causes, 2. No case of infectious or contagious character was reported during the week. The death rate during the week was 12.60 per 1,000. Five vessels were inspected and passed on arrival. Two bills of health were issued.

Isabela de Sagua.—Acting Asst. Surg. Pedro Garcia Riera reports that 17 vessels were inspected and passed on arrival. Eleven bills of health were issued to vessels leaving the port.

Caibaren.—Acting Asst. Surg. Leoncio Junco reports that the sanitary condition of the port and town is good. The death rate for the week was 2.01 per 1,000. Five vessels arrived during the week and were passed without inspection. Five bills of health were issued to vessels leaving the port.

Respectfully,

G. M. GUITÉRAS,

Passed Assistant Surgeon, U. S. M. H. S.

The SURGEON-GENERAL,

U. S. Marine-Hospital Service.

A case of yellow fever at Matanzas.

MATANZAS, CUBA, *January 3, 1901.*

One case yellow fever reported; civilian.

GUITÉRAS.

The SURGEON-GENERAL,

U. S. Marine-Hospital Service.

Reports from Nuevitas, Puerto Padre, Gibara, and Baracoa.

NUEVITAS, CUBA, *December 24, 1900.*

SIR: I have the honor to submit the following report for the week ended December 22, 1900: Seven vessels arrived during that period and 6 bills of health were issued; there were 2 deaths; the sanitary condition of the town is fairly good; the weather is dry, with warm days and cool night.

Puerto Padre.—Reports show arrival of 5 vessels, 4 bills of health issued, no deaths, and sanitary condition good.

Gibara.—Reports show arrival of 4 vessels, 4 bills of health issued, 1 death, and sanitary condition good.

Baracoa.—Reports show the arrival of 6 vessels, 5 bills of health issued, 7 deaths, and sanitary condition good. No quarantinable disease is reported at any point in the district.

Respectfully,

OWEN W. STONE,

Acting Assistant Surgeon, U. S. M. H. S.

The SURGEON-GENERAL,

U. S. Marine-Hospital Service.

Reports from Santiago, Manzanillo, Guantanamo, and Daiquiri.

SANTIAGO DE CUBA, *December 20, 1900.*

SIR: I have the honor to submit herewith sanitary report of the fourth quarantine division of the island of Cuba, under my command, for the week ended December 15, 1900:

Santiago.—During this period there was a total of 13 deaths reported,